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Attention: **BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

Sir:

Submitted herewith is the following new patent application:

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TITLE: OPTOELECTRONIC APPARATUS

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The priority of the following application is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 110

Country: Germany  
Application No.: 100 36 538.8  
Filing date: July 27, 2000

The application includes

- a description pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.71;
- at least one claim pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.75;
- a formal drawing pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.81(a) [4 sheets, Figs. 1- 5].

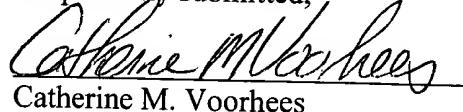
In view of the above, it is requested that this application be accorded a filing date pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.53(f).

A Declaration signed by the inventor and the filing fee will be submitted in due course.

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